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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.312

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 2, 2004, by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following amendments to the subject application prior to payment of the issue fee which is due September 2, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312, please amend the subject application as follows:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, August 27, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop ISSUE FEE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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